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"There are more men ennobled by reading than by nature."

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A Prayer For Lent.

"And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, He was afterwards a hungered." And when the tempter came to Him, he said: If Thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread."

"Prayer and fasting, oh my Father, Never let me come to this; Let the angels whisper ever In my ear, Gethsemane."

Oh! my baffled heart has fasted Till it faints with hungry pain; Yet if Thou wilt feed me, Saviour, All my loss I count as gain."

Humbly let me kneel before Thee, With affection crucified, With my spirit, contrite, broken, Healed of all its human pride."

Keep my tongue from evil speaking, Keep my ears from foolish praise, Keep my heart when Satan whispers, Keep my feet in wisdom's ways."

Thou, who seest all my weakness, Thou, who knowest I am dust, Pity me and keep my treasures All untouched by 'mirth or rust."

Close and closer, oh my Saviour In the shadow of Thy wing, Let my weary spirit nestle With the peace that faith can bring."

WADE HAMPTON MANNING.

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JOHNSTOWN, PA.

Our JOURNAL pen has been lying idle for a long while, so long that we think that it will hardly do service any longer. We have been reading of so many good things lately, and discussing so many different projects, also looking after our own fences, that we wonder where we are at—we feel rusty in addressing the JOURNAL.

The steel trade is so dull and wages have been cut so low, that the enthusiasm of the deaf here is at a low ebb. But in spite of this state of affairs, they are still neck and shoulders above the water. We have seen twenty years of service here and know well enough that the business has its off years pretty regularly—i.e., before a Presidential election.

To the query—How is the Johnstown Branch progressing? We can say briefly by the following statement. It is marching on, and back it by the following. Organized June 23, 1901. Social and business meetings were held monthly from house to house. Average attendance from ten to fifteen. December, 1903, we were able to secure a Hall in the centre of the city. All trolley cars pass the Hall. We meet the third Saturday of each month. Amount of money raised for all purposes to date is about \$650 00. Present resident membership, 19; outside co-operative members, 3.

February 13th was "Valentine Social" at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Barker, from 7 p.m. to midnight. All the deaf and several hearing were invited. Games of checkers, dominoes, chess, "Pinning the Heart" blindfolded, cutting strings for prize packages blindfolded, and other games were indulged in. The Post Office was opened and valentines addressed to all guests were delivered. Of course, the nice flowery poetical ones were addressed to the fair ones, while the gentlemen received the comic. Refreshments were then served, and the party broke up at twelve sharp. Those present besides Mr. and Mrs. Barker and their three children were Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Barker, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Humphrey, Messrs. Jas. and Fred Callio, Messrs. Edna Butler and Sarah Callio, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Laird, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Mishler, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. H. McHugh, Mrs. Rosa Kost, Messrs. S. H. Speck, W. H. Schibert, J. G. Woodrow, W. V. James, Chas. Friant, Jas. C. Stover, Jno. E. Rosesteel and Master Ellsworth Laird.

One of our gentlemanly mates, who is nearly six feet tall, was returning home from work in a rather crowded car. A nice-looking young lady got on at one of the crossings, and our gentleman in his eagerness to outdo Alphonse and Gaston, offered her a seat. But in doing so he put his foot in the handle of his dinner pail, in his dilemma to extricate himself he was spilled across the car. Alas! this is a very selfish world. The lady never smiled on him, not even thanked him. We wonder what his thoughts were as he gathered himself up and hung to the strap. Our advice is Look before you Leap.

Rev. A. W. Mann held services

here December 6th last and baptized the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Seibert. Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Barker acted sponsors. He was here again and held services Feb. 14. We understand he will be here again this spring.

Our Greensburg scribe can rest assured that "Rollandie" is still at the old stand.

The February meeting of the Johnstown Local Branch voted to hold a Donation Party, about the last of March or the first part of April. Proceeds to go to the Home at Doylestown Pa. A committee was appointed and are now at work. Date to be decided later.

R. M. B.

SOUTH HAVEN.

It is true a person in perfect health does not dream. He sleeps peacefully and comfortably. One who makes a study of dreams must begin at the stomach—the resource of all mental and physical ill. Our curiosity "Chicago" ordered some corned-beef and cabbage on the evening of February 6th, and noted the effect. He dreamed he was at the famous Pas-a-Pas Club's recent masquerade ball.

"There is one club in the world that disappoints no one, and that is the Pas-a-Pas Club. They are going to have a grand masquerade to-night. I would like to mask myself as a tramp to surprise them, and have a jolly time," exclaimed "Chicago."

"Good!" said his wife, "but you must be ready now, as the ice boat, 'City of South Haven' will start at 6:45 p.m." "Yes, by all means," nodded "Chicago." So they hurriedly wrapped up his apparel and refreshments—three pieces of cheese, and four and a quarter pretzels in a freshly-printed JOURNAL. The smell of the ink is a better rough on insects than any remedy. He then took a red hot stove in the shape of a hand furnace in his coat pocket to keep warm, and ran directly to the dock with a bundle in one hand and a ticket in another. Before he got into the boat, came a fat woman marching with a family of 13. She stood at the boat steps, blocking the way, while she called out:

"Brown, Hubbard, Bristol, Long, Carpenter, Kaufman, Benson, Laurence, Wroblewski, Hill, Eickhoff, Schneider and you," to which each replied "Here," the hen-pecked husband responding to the pronoun. "Now, come," she added, and marched to the state-room.

And the boat sailed off. "Chicago" waved his handkerchief to the people of South Haven, who were burning bonfires in honor of the Pas-a-Pas Club's ball, and crimson streaks ran up from the horizon of the lake, and hovered around the roofs of the hall.

"Good bye South Haven until tomorrow," sighed "Chicago."

The boat arrived at Chicago at 8 o'clock at night. He nearly froze his ears and nose hunting for the location of the ball. The fire of the stove in his pocket was out on account of scarcity of coal in Chicago. Snow storm that evening, fearfully cold, and the thermometer at 13 degrees below zero. But he was amply repaid for his trouble. He met two big men "signing" loudly on the street. One asked for a chew and other promptly drew forth a good-sized plug and offered to him. "Chicago" struck a match, and to his great delight he recognized them. They were "William, the detective" and Puzillist Gott. They both eyed "Chicago," and said he was a city scavenger and deals in dead things. Yet he followed them to his destination. From the entrance to the street was crowded with maskers waiting for the janitor to open the big door. It was found that the keyhole was stuffed with ice. The key could not go in. With a force the door swung widely and the maskers rushed in. The sign on the door was: "They announce more laugh to the square inch than any other hall of its kind in the world. Come and get rid of the blues."

It was nearly an hour before "Chicago" could gain admission into the hall. He expected to be received with open arms. A door tender who claimed himself the

owner of the building, stopped him, and demanded his ticket. Uncle Sam, impersonated by Wayman, came to his rescue and paid his ticket.

When once inside the first that met his eyes were signs:

"This is a mighty cold winter." "George Thomas Dougherty, our first president of this famous Pas-a-Pas Club, is the boss of the floor."

Wives and children of the men who made their club world famous were present. As a substitute for chaperons, they were provided with the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL. They were magnificent specimens of manhood, the majority of them over eight feet in height, with high foreheads. Their walk was dignified and stately. The density of population of the hall was nearly the same as that of the United States. If you do not believe it, ask Uncle Sam.

Throughout the evening sweet music filled the big hall. The refreshments were somewhat unique, the bill of fare consisting of radishes, onions, potatoes, cabbages and lettuce. Each person was allowed to make his or her own selection of the eatables.

Kessler, who has been proclaimed the champion fiddler of the country, by the sight of a short man with blistered fingers, who impersonated "Rochester," walking beside Uncle Sam all the time, who claimed that the talking he used blistered his fingers. Poor fellow!

There was one woman who refused to dance because her shoe soles were "blessed" by a faith healer, for rheumatism, the other day, and she feared the charm might wash off.

Sullivan was not seen at the ball, because his wife has just bought a big rolling pin. Manager Dougherty grabbed Morton by the collar and said, "Why did you strike Ryan?" "If you please, he came to me suddenly and said 'How old is Ann?'"

"Well, what hurt did that do?" Morton drew himself up and the high collar grew tight as he strove to swallow his righteous indignation. Folding his arms he replied: "Because, you see, Ann is my wife."

Frank and wife whirled gracefully in a new waltz never before performed. They deserved a prize of \$100.

Jolly, good-natured Watson, was there as a lord, and was trying to be dignified; but, lo! a banana peel made a failure of the effort.

Liebenstein brought for his lunch a noble onion pudding, a composition of his dear ma. "Chicago" tasted it, found it awfully good, and gobbled it with tears of joy and thanksgiving.

Talked with Mrs. Dougherty, who informed him that she was going to give him a dinner Monday next, to get a chance to borrow back the meat dish she had loaned her friend.

Saw Tate jump several feet into the air, and remained up for six minutes. Women fainted and men paled. Tate smiled wearily, and then announced cheerfully: "Get your ticket for the next ball."

In order to not endanger her chances for leap year, "Chicago" refused to mention the name of a tall woman who spelled out: "Oh, Martha, I wish you would introduce me to the little man who is dancing with me." The lookers on made a rush for the dark corners, where giggling and tittering could be indulged in freely.

Caro was there, and was in a peck of trouble.

Two slender and tall ghosts in white, with scythes, met and eyed each other:

"Who are you?"

"Who are you?"

"I asked you first."

"Well, I will not talk unless I know who you are."

"All right; neither will I. Good night."

Sport Des Rocher was there as an automobilist and tried to look hollow eyed. His clothes were perfumed with gasoline oil.

Waterman was there wearing a popular medal gayly and merrily. The medal was inscribed with "Hold the Fort," and he said he received it for his bravery in the F. S. D. lecture. Whereupon the crowd chased him from the hall.

"It is remarkable," said Kleinhans, looking at the sign on the back of Dougherty announcing his name and address. "It strikes me as being most remarkable. He loves to tell about how he dealt the blow to the Pure Oral System, and how he walked fearlessly before the Board of Education. He is a true son of Erin, indeed!"

A pair of "twinlets" from West Virginia were there. Happy Uncle Sam took his gum, bit it into two, and put a piece into the mouths of the little ones and they looked up smilingly.

Uncle Sam was asked what he would do should he meet with a sudden reverse of fortune. "I might support my 'twinlet' nieces by lecturing in Europe on 'Chicago's' rhyme," winked he.

"William, the detective," very cleverly discovered, and reported to the hall, that the tramp was "Chicago." The perspiration streaming from his face as Gibson ran around and looked hard at him, and was then seized with a wonderful fit of sneezing—"Plag, plag—lar—lar!" But the club only cheered, and the people burst out laughing. "Now," said Gib. "I have got you, and I will just thrash you within an inch of your life."

"Then, Gib, I think I thrash you," hurried up Uncle Sam, and he did it so thoroughly that Gib was wishing the ground would open and swallow him. "Chicago" then had him flat on his back and held him so that he could not move an inch, and gave him a splendid lecture on his "copyrighted" rhyme.

"Good!" exclaimed the crowd. Then Uncle Sam was voted the prize winner of the masquerade ball.

And the club gave a yell: Rah! Rah! Rah! Pas-a-Pas Club!

Jolly maskers are we! Rah! Rah! Rah!

The big noises and loud screams awoke "Chicago" in the morning at 5 o'clock, and he found himself sitting bolt upright in the corner of his bed room behind the big dressing bureau, clutching the photograph of Uncle Sam in his chilled hands affectionately against his heart.

Until a week ago "Chicago" had no violent antipathy to that corned beef and cabbage. But now he is sick of it, and the thought, and the odor of it, pursue him to the point of madness.

Here "Chicago" produced a photograph that he captured, an inspiring expression of Uncle Sam, the prize winner of the famous Pas-a-Pas Club's recent masquerade ball, with his right thumb, which will, he trusts, encourage all readers to take a longer look at it at their leisure.

"CHICAGO."

WEST VIRGINIA.

[Send news for this department to John C. Bremer, 3323 Jacob Street, Wheeling, W. Va.]

As well as the deaf residents of Benwood, the deaf readers of local papers were talking excitedly Wednesday last over a strange occurrence, that, it was alleged, took place some time ago. A two-days-old baby of a Benwood resident startled its parents by declaiming: "This town will be burned." It is impossible for a two-days-old baby to talk under any ordinary circumstances. An infant must learn the meaning of words before it can discourse. The tale that a Benwood child had been telling in flowery language the probable fate of the town was given little credence.

The paper said that the frightened mother ran from her house and told some of her neighbors about the strange occurrence. They returned with her and when the mother tickled the child under the chin for the purpose of getting it to repeat its wonderful message, it died.

The reporter received last Thursday a letter from the heart-broken parents of Mr. Rufus Meadows, with better particulars as to the cause of his death, as mentioned in the JOURNAL. Rufus left Willowton shortly after New Year's Day for Gordon, and had been working in a saw-mill there till the morning of the 4th inst., when he was starting to work, he walked on the ends of the railroad ties—perhaps a shorter way to the mill he preferred.

An engine was coming behind him and its engineer did everything so hard to warn him, but the mute failed realize his danger, so it struck him on the right side, and he fell on his face.

He got up, and stood on his feet, then resuming his way to his married sister's house, where he had been boarding, unassisted. He washed his badly bruised face and, in a smiling mood, looked up at his brother-in-law. He began to feel sick, so he laid down on a bed. A doctor was immediately sent for, and did not examine him closely, but only looked at his head, which had an awful gash cut in it. The physician said that his skull was not hurt. The mute began to vomit blood, but the doctor could do nothing to save his life. He passed away about two hours after he got struck. There was no train that ran at the time that his parents could quickly reach him. The body was taken to Willowton on the 5th inst., and buried the next day. At the funeral there were about three hundred persons. He was well-known in the town, and everybody liked him. His parents said that the mute was the pet of their family, and it was hard to give him up.

The Tablet said of his school life the following:—

"Rufus Meadows attended the school here for the deaf nine years and when leaving last session expressed his intention of returning to school at the opening in 1904. It is a sad reflection to all of our people to realize that this unfortunate accident has removed him from further attendance at these schools. His record here in deportment was as good as that ever made by any pupil enrolled. In fact, as far as our record shows, he never received a demerit during his entire attendance of nine years. His obliging, pleasant manner attracted to him a great many friends and his loyalty and sincerity retained them. While he was not prominent as a student, yet he was one of the leaders in the carpenter-shop where he was always found during shop hours systematically and earnestly engaged in his work. He was very kind and helpful to the little children and all of the large ones had great respect for his judgment. Rufus Meadows will long be remembered here as a faithful student, a sincere friend and a young man of the highest moral worth and integrity. As a school we desire to extend our sympathy to his bereaved parents and trust that they may get some consolation from a remembrance of the life he lived and the thought that he was prepared for the final summons."

Mr. Arnold Kiene, of Charleston, is in Philadelphia, Pa., on business. His wife and child, who are visiting in Romney, will join him there next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. D. Seaton and Mr. and Mrs. John A. Boland, of Romney, took a pleasant drive to the famous Club house, several miles from the town.

Mr. Peter Gilooly, of Kirkwood, O., was at the Bremer cigar factory several days ago, reporting that he had been out of work since the fire ruined the News office, but would soon go up to Dillonvale, O., where he has secured a similar position. He will come back after the News office is re-built.

Miss Emma Bartlett, of Mannington, intended going to Baltimore, Md., to see the great ruins, and to stop at Washington, D. C., for awhile, but has been prevented.

Mr. Grant Keener, of Benwood, has been laid up twice with the grip recently.

Mr. Fred Knipsky gave up his intention of going down to Cameron, as he has obtained his former position at the Wheeling Iron Works, which pays him splendidly.

Mrs. Mack, a neighbor of the correspondent, has been confined to bed with some illness, which is a mystery to surgeons. She was sent to City hospital, but has returned home. She has been totally deaf for two years, and has been blind for about two months. She has a husband and four children, who are very kindly cared for by their neighbors.

Feb. 27, '04.

J. C. B.

BELLAIRE, OHIO.

Mrs. Rebecca Leclair, a deaf sister of Mr. Marion Littleton, of Mountsville, W. Va., was called here by the death of his wife. She will stay in the town for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Robb returned some time ago from Steubenville, O. William holds a good position in the Rodeferr Glass factory, where Mr. Samuel Corbett is foreman of a department.

Mr. Thomas Littleton has been on the sick-list, but is now getting well again.

Mr. Frank Burtott will probably be idle for awhile, as a strike at Wheeling Iron and Steel Works, Benwood, W. Va., is on.

It is reported here that a Catholic preacher, who has learned spelling and sign-making from Mr. Peter Gilooly, of Kirkwood, O., will give a lecture to the deaf in his church, in the same town, March 13th.

The deaf fraternity, of Chicago, Ill., has been greatly discussed here, and a motion to organize a branch will soon be pushed.

Feb. 29, '04.

J. C. B.

On the thirtieth of January, a baby girl came to gladden the household of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Schwing, of Elizabeth, N. J. She will be christened Elsie Auld Schwing.

OBITUARY.

MRS. MARION McDONALD LITTLETON.

All the deaf in Wheeling, West Va., Bellaire, O., and other parts greatly mourn the loss of one of the best known respectable deaf-mutes, Mrs. Marion McDonald Littleton, who passed away peacefully on February 26th, at 4:05 o'clock P.M., at her residence on Stark Street, Bellaire, O. The death was due to paralysis, with which she had been suffering for about four weeks. Before the last Sunday of last month she began to feel sick for two days, and laid down frequently, till the third night, when she left her bed to attend to something, while her kind husband and their only daughter, Miss Maggie, was out calling on a neighbor. The right side of her body suddenly was paralyzed. The noise caused by falling on the floor called quick attention to her predicament. She was with difficulty carried to her bed, and there she remained till she breathed her last. Everything medical skill could do was done, but to no avail. Her death was reported to their relatives outside of Bellaire, and deaf-mutes, as soon as it could be. She was a sufferer with some other sickness that could not be cured, for about twenty-two years, which compelled her to stay at her house all the time.

On Saturday and Sunday afternoons there were big crowds of mutes there, who took their last look at the corpse lying in a beautiful black casket, covered with various sweet and lovely flowers, mostly colored carnations and ferns, which were mostly contributed by the deaf.

The face of the deceased looked beautiful and smiling. Her long suffering has been exchanged for a happier and eternal life in the other world.

On Monday morning, at ten o'clock, Rev. Mr. Proudft, of the United Presbyterian Church, Bellaire, O., officiated at the funeral services, many hearing and deaf persons being present. After the close of the services, the casket was carried by six deaf pall-bearers,—Messrs Herbert Stoehr, of Echo Point, W. Va., Samuel Corbett, William F. Robb and Frank Burtott, of Bellaire, O., Peter Gilooly, of Kirkwood, O., and John C. Bremer, of Wheeling, W. Va., with Mr. Charles Weiner, of Wheeling, behind them carrying the flowers. The cortege crossed the river into Wheeling, to Mount Zion Cemetery, and a short burial service followed.

The deceased was Miss Mina Louisa Ebeling, who was born in Wheeling on September 6th, 1847. She was educated at the Staunton, Virginia School for the deaf, for ten years, graduating there at the close of the Civil War. The late Rev. Job Turner was once her teacher for a few years. She is survived by few of her schoolmates living in West Virginia, Baltimore, Md., and Virginia. She was married to Mr. Marion Littleton, one of the oldest products of the Columbus, Ohio, School for the Deaf, on November 4th, 1877; and moved to Bellaire. They celebrated their silver-wedding about two years ago. She had a very sweet disposition and always greeted with pleasant smiles every deaf caller, in spite of her protracted suffering.

J. C. B.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER'S

Religious instructions and services are conducted every Sunday afternoon, in the chapel of St. Francis Xavier's College, 30 West 16th Street, New York, under the direction of the Rev. M. R. McCarthy, S. J.

JERSEY CITY—St. Peter's College Hall: Religious services at 3:30 P.M., on the first Sunday of every month, under the direction of Rev. M. R. McCarthy, S. J.

NOTICE.

A lecture, on "Russia and Japan and the Present War," will be delivered by Mr. T. F. Driscoll, at the Brooklyn Guild, St. Mark's chapel, Adelphi Street, near DeKalb Avenue, on Thursday evening, 24th of March. Please notify your deaf friends about the interesting lecture. Admission will be ten cents.

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"He's true to God who's true to man:
Wherever wrong is done
To the humblest and the weakest
Neath the all-beholding sun,
That wrong is also done to us,
And they are slaves most base,
Whose love of right is for themselves,
And not for all the race."

A SHORT time ago a dinner was given by the members of the "Amen Corner" of the Fifth Avenue Hotel.

It is pretty well known that this "Amen Corner" refers to the plush-upholstered seats at the end of the long lobby of the hotel, and chiefest and most honored of the members is Senator T. C. Platt. The corner is used on Sundays as a resting place ostensibly, but in reality is where the practical politicians and great Party men meet and discuss the affairs of the city, State and nation. Men of all parties—Republicans, Democrats, Mugwumps, etc., use the corner for the assimilation of ideas, and fraternize with one another in a way that is astonishing to those who follow the fierce partisan struggles to triumph at the ballot box each year when the time for oratory and spell-binding comes around.

Unknown to these great public men, within a few feet that is separated by a partition, the deaf of New York, in considerable numbers, have for many years met and talked and gossiped and prognosticated on every known subject, not excepting politics.

Their meeting place is in a spacious room that on week days is the hotel bar room, but which on Sunday bears no outward evidence of being other than a parlor or smoking room, and we believe a large majority of the deaf-mutes who met there each Sunday afternoon do not to this day know that it is the "wet goods" department of the famous hotel. Its marble flooring, upholstered chairs and sofas, decorative walls and ceiling, expensive paintings and interior fittings, make it a veritable abode of luxury and wealth.

The custom of deaf-mutes gathering at the Fifth Avenue Hotel on Sunday afternoons began considerably over a quarter of a century ago. At first only a scant half-dozen gathered there to enjoy each other's talk and company. But gradually the number increased, until at least fifty was the average attendance. After the religious services at St. Ann's Church in 18th Street near Fifth Avenue, the gentlemen who had no other demands on their leisure, meandered to the hotel. At first the group was composed of what some might term "exclusives," but gradually a more and more democratic crowd got together, until at last the "hoi polloi" of the deaf seemed to own the big room in which they met.

Several times it was suggested to the hotel management that a quiet hut would avenge the "nuisance." But the management refused to look upon the deaf-mutes as a nuisance, and politely intimated as much to the over-zealous, or over-jealous, of these complaining deaf-mutes. The management said the deaf-mutes were always neatly dressed, decorous and quiet, and they were quite welcome to use the room on Sunday afternoons.

Twenty-five years of time has passed since the first little group of deaf-mutes made its debut at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, and now in the year of grace one thousand nine hundred and four, the number

has again dwindled down to the original half-dozen.

The cause of this decline is the removal of the places of Sunday worship to distant places uptown, and the organization of clubs where in the deaf can meet and confer without being before the curious eye of the public.

We take it that the attitude of the hotel management towards the deaf-mutes, is quite a compliment to them as a class. It certainly shows that deaf-mutes are not in the least inclined to those vulgarities which make people objectionable to the more critical and refined. It speaks volumes for their educational institutions which have made them what they are.

It is often erroneously stated that the deaf of New York are a bawling set of people, who indulge in drink and delight in defamation. Such an impression is outrageously unjust. As a matter of fact, the deaf of New York are taxed for their sobriety. Go to any picnic ground and try to engage it for a deaf-mute gathering. There is no charge for the big clubs of hearing people who hold outings at these places, and often a bonus is paid to get them. But park managers have repeatedly said "The deaf-mutes don't patronize our bar, and we must charge for the park." So it always is with the deaf in the aggregate, despite the shortcomings of a few. They are sober, respectable, industrious, and an honor to the schools that graduated them.

QUAKERISMS.

Have those who are born deaf and blind, or who become so early in life, the same feelings and emotions as normal beings? That is, do they know what it is to be jealous, to love, to be pretty, etc? There is no reason why they should not. A striking and at the same pathetic case is that of Laura Bridgman, the deaf-blind pupil of the celebrated Dr. Howe, who lived to an old age. Laura's teacher, a lady of refinement and a heart of boundless sympathy, was being courted by a young man who was naturally very kind to his sweetheart's pupil during his visits. Somehow the blind girl got the idea into her head that he was courting her instead of her teacher, and matters came to such a climax that it finally became necessary to inform her of her mistake. With disappointment and a visible change of countenance Laura spelled out: "Am I not pretty?"

More difficulties had to be overcome in the education of Laura Bridgman than in the case of Helen Keller, for the reason that Laura had but one sense left, the sense of touch. Hearing, seeing, tasting and smelling were unknown to her. Charles Dickens heard of the remarkable success Dr. Howe was meeting with in her education and paid the deaf-blind girl a visit, and wrote an account of her in his "American Notes." It is said of Dr. Howe that he had to "invent" all the methods by which Laura could communicate her thoughts to the world, and Miss Keller has only repeated where Dr. Howe had sown so many years ago.

Miss Keller has written two books "My Life," and "Optimism," the latter having been issued by T. Y. Crowell & Co., New York. Undoubtedly she is the most famous deaf-blind person the world ever knew, and at the same time the best favored. A great deal of credit is due to her teacher, but it does not necessarily follow that if Helen had not had that particular teacher she would not have made such wonderful progress. I think she could have done as well under other real live and successful teacher, for after all it depends on what sort of a mind the pupil has. As before remarked, Dr. Howe overcame a great many more difficulties than did Miss Keller's teacher—and suppose Helen had been his pupil.

QUAKER BROWN.

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS, And National Association of the Deaf of the United States.

OFFICIAL CALL.

Call is hereby made for an International Congress of the Deaf, to meet in conjunction with, and under the auspices of, the National Association of the Deaf of the United States, at St. Louis, Missouri, August 20th-27th inclusive.

The Executive Committee of the National Association has, by a formal vote of 16 to 3, decided in favor of the above dates.

Information as to local arrangements will be issued by the Local Committee from time to time.

The American part of the program has been practically completed. Some delay has been experienced in getting foreign representatives on the program. The program, as far as completed, will be announced at an early day.

J. L. SMITH, President,
FAIRBULT, MINN., U. S. A.

GALLAUDET COLLEGE.

Two Societies Take a Rest.

THE SENIOR DEBATE.

The O. W. L. S. Program.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Both the "Lit" and the "Old Woman's Literary Society," better known simply as the O. W. L. S., have finished their labors for the present term. The last meeting of the former during the second term is always given over to the Seniors, and the O. W. L. S. make their last meeting of the winter term public.

The Senior debate, which came off Friday evening, was a very spirited contest, and owing to the fact that Pres. Gallaudet, Prof. Draper and Prof. Hall had consented to act as judges, the debaters felt bound to put forth their very best efforts. The debate was on the following question:

"Resolved, That the action of the United States in recognizing the independence of Panama, and there-with negotiating for a canal treaty, was justified by the laws of nations and by the laws of the United States." Messrs. Drake and Neesam upheld the affirmative side against Messrs. Winemiller and Roberts, and spoke in the order of the naming. Each debator was given ten minutes, but the Society voted that they be given each five minutes more to reply, when the allotted time was up.

It appeared that the judges were somewhat in doubt for they went into consultation, and then Dr. Gallaudet announced their decision as unanimously in favor of the affirmative side. After this announcement he gave a short talk upon the question, making it still clearer, as he is an authority on International Law.

The meeting was closed by an essay by Mr. W. S. Marshall upon "The Struggle against Greater Power," the critic's report being eliminated. In connection with his essay and for examples, Mr. Marshall rendered in graceful signs Cole-ridge's "The Albatross," Tennyson's "The Charge of the Light Brigade," and Shakespeare's "Antony." The meeting, as a whole, was very interesting and dignified.

Saturday evening the O. W. L. S. gave a very creditable public meeting. This is an annual feature, and coming as it did right after the Senior debate, it was the more interesting. As there are only about thirty co-eds in all, the program which follows contained the names of two-thirds of their number. The program is:

I. A TALK—"The Star of the West," Miss Hansen, '04.
II. A SCENE—"The Spinning-Wheel Song,"
Eileen, Miss Hall, '05.
Her Lover, Miss Kilgore, I. C.
Her Grandmother, Miss K. M. Hall, I. C.
III. RECITATION—"Nothing to Wear," Miss Swift, '05.
IV. A TALK—"Picturesque America," Miss Morse, '05.
V. A TABLEAU—"Daughters of Uncle Sam,"
The Indian, Miss Tade, '07.
The Anglo-Saxon, Miss Peel, I. C.
The Irish Girl, Miss Thornton, '07.
The Dutch Girl, Miss Drumm, '07.
The Italian Girl, Miss Mayo, I. C.
The Chinese Girl, Miss Fritz, '06.
The Negro, Miss Lemke, I. C.
VI. MONOLOGUE—"Special Delivery," Miss Bigley, '07.
VII. DECLAMATION—"The Red, White and Blue,"
Columbia, Miss Marks, '07.
North, Miss Christal, I. C.
East, Miss Garity, '06.
South, Miss Henderson, '06.
West, Miss Dickson, '07.

Our basket ball team has been honored by a challenge from the famous "Silent Five" team, the contest to come off during the Easter recess. We think it can hardly be accepted at that time, as most all the students intend to go camping. The Faculty have organized a team, composed of Dr. Ely, Prof. Hall, Prof. Day, Prof. Allan Fry and Fellow Manning. One afternoon last week they played their first game with the Juniors the score being 10 to 4 in favor of the latter. It was quite an exciting contest, and several of the Professors declared it was as hard as football.

Since all the girls of the Freshman class have already celebrated their birthdays, and there are no more birthday parties to be given, they have organized a cooking club, for you know Freshmen must always be doing something. We have not been informed what they each concoct by turns, as none of their goodies have made their way over to this side of the house.

Mr. P. W. Lee, '06, who has been confined to his bed in the Columbian University hospital for the last two weeks, returned to College on Saturday, and will go to his home in Virginia in a few days to recuperate. He had the pleasure of the company of his aunt and uncle on Sunday.

Mr. W. H. Phelps, '05, has been enjoying the company of his father for the past several days. He has just returned from California, and while there sent his son a crate of the finest oranges procurable.

At the regular monthly business

meeting of the "Lit" Saturday, the picture of the class of 1903, was formally presented by Mr. G. O. Erickson. The Society unanimously accepted the gift.

Miss Goldstein, Miss Wiedenmeier and Miss Dickson, took lunch with Mrs. Hotchkiss on Thursday.

Dr. Fay has been ailing for several days, and was unable to be at Sunday school, Sunday.

The annual gymnasium exhibition will come off Friday afternoon, as it was found impossible to give it in the evening, as has been the custom.

H. D. DRAKE, '04.

March 7, '04.

WASHINGTON STATE.

THE DEAF OF SEATTLE ORGANIZE.

It may not be generally known among the readers of the JOURNAL that in the city of Seattle, the largest in the State of Washington, there is a large number of deaf people. Seattle's population is not far under that of St. Paul, Minn., and in a very short time she will have outstripped the saintly city by a good margin. The number of deaf people in the city on Puget Sound is about forty-five, not including the few who are still attending the school for the deaf at Vancouver. They represent nearly every school between the Ohio river and the Rocky Mountains, north of Myson and Dixon's line. For a long time they have realized that an organization on the lines of the various associations and societies among the deaf of the larger cities of the east would prove of benefit. In fact, a sort of society has been maintained for some time past, but it had no regular organization and did not require any regular membership dues. Meetings were held at such times as the members thought advisable, and these were invariably of a social nature.

Early in January of this year occurred an incident that threatened to disrupt the society. It was at once decided by the leading members that a meeting should be called looking to the regular organization of the society and the adoption of a constitution and by-laws. Accordingly a meeting was held at the home of Otto Cedergreen, participated in by the representative deaf of Seattle. A committee on constitution and by-laws was appointed, consisting of Phil L. Axtling, Mrs. J. E. Gustin and Mr. Holcomb, lately from San Francisco, Cal. It was decided to hold a meeting for organization on the afternoon of February 22d, and the A. O. U. W. hall in the New York block was selected as the place. The fact was made known to every deaf person on Puget Sound, and at the appointed hour there was a large and enthusiastic attendance in the hall.

Mr. J. E. Gustin presided, and Mr. L. O. Christenson was the secretary. The committee presented its constitution and by-laws, which had been so carefully prepared that scarcely an amendment was made. Every section was unanimously adopted, the society assuming the name of the Puget Sound Association of the Deaf, with Seattle as the place of meeting. Membership on the active list is restricted to the cities of the district of Puget Sound. Beside Seattle and her eight or ten suburbs, membership will be secured in Tacoma, Bellingham, Port Townsend, Everett, Olympia, and numerous smaller towns. Honorary membership will be confined to the State of Washington, outside the district of Puget Sound. The enrollment of members was made immediately upon the organization of the association, and when the books were closed the secretary announced a membership of twenty-five.

The next event on the program was the election of officers, resulting in the election of the following persons to serve till the first business meeting in January, 1905: President, Phil L. Axtling; Vice-President, Mrs. J. E. Gustin; Secretary, L. O. Christenson; Treasurer, Otto Cedergreen; Door-keeper, F. H. Stuhl. These officers also constitute the board of directors.

Next meeting of the association is to be held on March 26th, for the transaction of business it was impossible to take up at the initial meeting, owing to the length of time occupied in considering the constitution and by-laws. It is expected several more members will be taken in at the March meeting. The association is in good financial condition, having nearly \$200 in the treasury. This money, except what was taken in at the meeting on February 22d, comes from the old organization.

SEATTLE, WASH., February 24.

RELIGIOUS SERVICE.

MADISON AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

N. E. Corner Seventy-third Street.

Sermon to the deaf by the pastor, Rev. Howard Agnew Johnston, D.D., every Sunday afternoon, at 3:30 o'clock. A cordial welcome to all.

Bible Classes meet at four o'clock.

Reading Room and Gymnasium open to the members and their friends every Friday, from 8 to 10 P.M.

Council Bluffs, Iowa.

The ladies of the Aid Society for the deaf mission of Council Bluffs met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Zorbaugh, 1001 Madison Avenue, and set aside the sum of \$25 to be used in building a house for Mrs. Ritchie, the deaf widow of W. G. Ritchie, who was killed near Big Lake, about five years ago, by a Northwestern train. The site for the house to be built for Mrs. Ritchie consists of two lots in the Wright addition, donated by Mr. and Mrs. Zorbaugh and Miss Helen White, of Burlington, a former teacher at the Iowa School for the Deaf.

Since but a limited number of deaf people in the city are able to contribute toward the enterprise, the ladies of the society expect to solicit funds from the citizens of Council Bluffs in general and from the deaf of the State. All contributions to the house fund should be sent to C. Zorbaugh, 1001 Madison Avenue, who will superintend the building of the house.—Council Bluffs Nonpareil.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Comp, of Boulevard Avenue, Omaha, entertained the Friday Night Club at their home Friday evening, February 26th. Miss Lillian Smith of Boston, Mass., was also present. She has been visiting a hearing friend in Omaha for some time.

A delightful evening was spent, which closed with the serving of dainty refreshments. Those present from Council Bluffs were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Barrett, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Pound, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Holloway, Mr. and Mrs. Z. B. Thompson and Mr. J. S. Long.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo H. Rother, of Carthage, Mo., who are visiting the former's parents, Supt. and Mrs. Rother, at the Iowa School, were also at the party, which made it seem very much like old times.

Rev. Jensen, the Lutheran missionary, who was installed here last May, and at first held services only in Omaha and Council Bluffs, has now extended his field of labor to include Lincoln, Neb., Denver, Colorado Springs, and Pueblo, Col. He now holds services in Council Bluffs on the first and third Sunday of each month, at 10:45 A.M.

From The Lutheran Pioneer, a little paper, which Rev. Jensen distributes, one is surprised at the number of Lutheran missionaries engaged among the deaf. These are hearing men. We believe this all denomination ranks second only to the Episcopal Church in its zeal for the spiritual welfare of the deaf.

Frank Wills, of Malvern, Ia., was in town last Sunday, calling on his numerous friends and attended Rev. Jensen's services.

Miss Ola Crawford, of Omaha, and Miss Lillian Smith, were in Council Bluffs, a few Saturdays ago, and called on some of the deaf ladies.

Mrs. W. O. Barritt, of Hazel Dell township, died on February 15th, of heart failure, while on a visit to her parents at Roland, Ia. She leaves a husband and one child, a boy, a little over a year old. Mr. and Mrs. Barritt were married about four years ago. Both graduated from the Iowa School, and much sympathy was expressed for the bereaved husband.

Mrs. J. S. Long and little daughter, Dorothy, are now visiting in Los Angeles, Cal. The oldest daughter is at Marshalltown, Iowa, with her grandparents, and attends school there. Meanwhile Mr. Long is staying at the Institute.

Mrs. Long expects to remain in California about two months and then go to Marshalltown, and then Mr. Long's mother will go to Los Angeles. When the Iowa school closes Mr. Long will go to Marshalltown and the family will be reunited.

Ever since last summer, there have been persistent rumors that an effort would be made to induce the Legislature to remove the Iowa School for the Deaf from Council Bluffs to a more central location. Soon after the Legislature convened the Iowa Association of the Deaf sent circulars to every member of the Legislature, setting forth the disadvantages of the present site and asking that the school be removed to Des Moines or some other town centrally located. This was shortly followed by the report of the Board of Control of State Institutions. This report was an able argument for removal. It was quite lengthy and went into details, which were convincing to the unbiased reader. Council Bluffs has long been actively fighting the attempt at removal, and the report of the Board of Control brought forth a storm of protests. The fight, it is believed, will be prolonged until the closing days of the Legislature, when it will be settled one way or the other.

OCCASIONAL.

On Tuesday evening, March 1st, Mr. William Henry Chambers, ex-'03, Gallaudet College, was baptized in Christ Church, Raleigh, N. C., by the Rev. Oliver J. Willin, General Missionary to the Deaf of the South. A service of Evening Prayer followed the service of baptism. Among the large congregation were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tillghast, Mrs. Louisa Haynes, Miss Jessie Uzzell, Miss Mattie Richardson, all deaf-mutes; also the clergy of Raleigh, Bishop and Mrs. Chesire of North Carolina, and a large number of teachers of the School for the Blind. Mrs. J. A. Briggs, a hearing friend and formerly a teacher in the School and Mr. Thomas Tillghast acted as Mr. Chambers' witnesses.

The Blind-Deaf.

"FANWOOD," Mar. 5, 1904.

Your straightforward editorial comment on the ridiculous idea of having an institution established for the education of all the blind-deaf in this country, which appeared in the JOURNAL of the 18th of February, was extremely interesting and significant. A better comment on the same subject cannot be written. It, too, demonstrates the fact that the writer is thoroughly familiar with the joys and sorrows of this unfortunate class of people.

What next will the friends or educators of the deaf undertake to do? Found an institution solely for the lame deaf and another school for the colored deaf? The blind-deaf are far better off where they are mixed with the deaf and dumb in the different schools throughout the country.

With the deaf and dumb, the blind-deaf have numerous advantages, none which they could ever have were they in a school by themselves.

I have been blind the past twenty years, and during this length of time feel that I have learned more by having the pupils read to me in my hand than I learned when at school for the same length of time. Indeed, I have read thousands and thousands of interesting newspaper articles, and tried to keep my hand on the pulse of the world.

Moreover, I have travelled all over the world many times over in books and newspapers.

Many of the articles and books I have read may never appear in print for the blind. Had I been in a school for the blind-deaf alone during the past ten years, I feel inclined to say that I would be able to read nothing but raised letter books and be kept ignorance as to the doings of mankind. The blind-deaf, as you say, "have the advantage of associating with the deaf who can see, and this last consideration would seem to outweigh all others, as it brings light and joy into their darkened lives such as no other environment could produce." Were they in a separate school by themselves they might at all times be of a melancholy disposition, and feel and believe that their lives were not worth living.

Individuals deprived of their sense, of hearing and sight, must never expect to be happy without the constant companionship of persons who are able to communicate with them by means of the sign language and the manual alphabet. Not only would the blind-deaf be obliged to lead the blind-deaf until they all fell into the ditch of dullness and despair," were they placed in a school all by themselves, but would also experience a considerable degree of solitary confinement.

S. ROBINSON,

Blind-Deaf Pupil at the New York Inst.

APPOINTMENTS FOR CONFIRMATION.

By Bishop Vincent, of Southern Ohio—

Trinity Ch., Columbus, Sunday, March 13th, at 10:30 P.M.
Cathedral, Cincinnati, Sunday, March 20th, at 11 A.M.

By Bishop Gillespie, of Western Michigan—

St. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo, March 27th, Palm Sunday, at 10:30 A.M.
St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids, March 30th, at 7:30 P.M.
St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek, April 10th, at 10:30 A.M.

By Bishop Davies, of Michigan—

St. John's Church, Detroit, Palm Sunday, March 27th, at 7:30 P.M.

By Bishop Francis, of Indiana—

Christ Church, Indianapolis, April 24th, at 10:30 A.M.
St. Stephen's Church, Terre Haute, April 10th, at 10:30 A.M.

By Bishop Leonard, of Ohio—

Trinity Church, Toledo, March 20th, at 10:30 A.M.
Grace Church, Cleveland, March 31st, at 7:30 P.M.
St. John's Church, Youngstown, April 17th, at 10:30 A.M.

By Bishop Whitehead, of Pittsburgh—

Trinity Church, Pittsburgh, April 16th, at 10:30 A.M.

Other Episcopal appointments will be announced later.

The undersigned will be pleased to hear from those desiring to be presented for the Apostolic and Scriptural Confirmation.

REV. AUSTIN W. MANN,
General Missionary M. W. Western District of the Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes.

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CHURCH NOTICES.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT, MARCH 13TH, 1904.

St. Ann's Church, N. Y., 3 P.M.
St. Mark's Church, Brooklyn, 3 P.M.
Gallaudet Home, 10:30 A.M. Holy Communion.

St. Peter's Church, Port Chester, 10:30 A.M.

Litany Service in St. Ann's Church, N. Y., Friday, March 18th, at 8 P.M.

Entertainment in St. Ann's Guild Room, Tuesday evening, March 15th. Free with welcome to all.

The Church and the Deaf.

NO LESS than three Church missions are maintained by the American Church for the express purpose of ministering to the thousands of deaf-mutes scattered throughout our land. A society for ministering to the partially deaf might find work in every parish. How often we hear it said, "I do not go to Church because I am too deaf to hear what is said or to join in the service." A little reflection will show that it is not altogether necessary to hear in order to take an active part in the service; for by following the service in Prayer Book and Bible, and by watching the movements and gestures of the officiating ministers, one can enter intelligently and heartily into every part of Divine Service without being able to hear a word. Especially is this true when the ceremonial of worship is duly observed.

An extreme case which came under the writer's personal observation is that of one who is almost entirely deaf and blind, but who nevertheless is able to take a real interest in public worship by following the use of lucense. Were this man a good Protestant no doubt he would find it more interesting to remain at home, as it would be difficult indeed for him to find any other external aid to devotion. Even the time of the sermon need not be wasted. While it is hardly possible for a very deaf person to keep the attention fixed upon the words of the preacher, he may employ the time profitably in private prayer and meditation, or spiritual reading.

After all, one can never be too deaf to worship the Lord who is in His holy Temple and who is truly present in the Blessed Sacrament, for His presence there is not dependent upon any of the bodily powers. We can at least offer Him the worship of heart and soul, which alone can give reality to what we say and hear:

"Faith, our outward sense befriending,
Makes our inward vision clear."

And faith can assist the hearing no less than the sight. Though the ears of the body be deaf and the lips dumb, Jesus can speak to the soul and the to Jesus. So, when we grow old and deaf, as some of us are likely to do, would it not be better for our souls and more for the glory of God to take our part in His service as best we can, rather than stay away and deprive ourselves of precious opportunities of worship and communion? May we remember always the exhortation of St. James: "Be ye doers of the Word, and not hearers only."—Parish Magazine.

Services for Deaf-Mutes.

MARCH 1904.

13-10:30 A.M. St. Andrew's, Boston. Holy Communion.
2:30 P.M. Grace, Providence, R. I. Holy Communion.
15-3:30 P.M. N. E. Home, Allston.
20-10:30 A.M. St. Andrew's, Boston.
2:00 P.M. St. Stephen's, Lynn.
4:15 P.M. St. Peter's, Beverly.
27-10:30 A.M. St. Andrew's, Boston.
2:30 P.M. St. John's, Lowell.
6:00 P.M. Trinity, Haverhill.

S. STANLEY SEARING,
Diocesan Missionary to Deaf-Mutes,
664 Broadway, So. Boston, Mass.

The Eden Musee.

The Eden Musee has had many novel attractions in the past, and has always made a great effort to secure the best magicians in the world. It recently arranged for an extended engagement of the wonderful Magician Powell. He will continue at the Musee for several weeks. Powell has been at the Musee a number of times in the past and was considered extremely clever. The past year he has spent in India studying all the wonderful feats of the Indian Magicians. In this way he learned the mysteries of these learned men of magic and undoubtedly stands at the head of Magicians to-day. His exhibition is given each afternoon and evening and the apparatus employed is strikingly simple. He does the most astonishing feats, and apparently it is just what he claims it to be—magic. His card tricks are different from any others shown, and he even places a pack of cards in a suspended metal case and at his word any card the visitor calls for will leap out of the box. Since his engagement the Musee has been crowded at each exhibition. In addition to this extra attraction the Musee has its usual attractions of wax groups, music and moving pictures. Long before war was declared between Japan and Russia, artists with moving picture machines were sent to the capitals of the two countries and to the scene of conflict, with instructions to get pictures of mobilizing of troops and manœuvres of war vessels. The first series of these pictures have just arrived and will be placed on exhibition to-morrow evening. They show the troops of the two countries, at drill, on the skirmish lines and in sham battle. Many of the pictures are of war vessels in parade and decks cleared for action. These pictures will give an excellent idea of the armament and equipment of both countries. At the afternoon and evening concerts, both Russian and Japanese National Airs will be played. New figures have been made of the Mikado of Japan and the Czar of Russia, for the famous group of Rulers of the World.

NEW YORK.

Doings at the Deaf-Mutes' Union League.

ITEMS BOTH GRAVE AND GAY

Concerning the Deaf of Gotham.

News items for this column should be sent direct to the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, Station M, New York.

With an attendance of upwards of forty present, the Entertainment Committee of the Deaf-Mutes' Union League "pressed the electric button" promptly at 9 o'clock, and the Pinochle Tournament was in full swing.

Finally at 11:30, the fortunate victors were announced. Simon Hirsch, Jr., the watch-dog of the D. M. U. L. Treasury, and Arnold Cohen, an associate member, pocketed the 1st prize of \$5.00, while Jacques Alexander, our artist and brand new California "Forty-Niner," captured the 2d prize of \$2.50 in conjunction with Mr. Sam Bramson.

And then—well, then the club room was quickly transformed into "Klein Deutschland,"—the air perfumed with the precious smell of "Gomprecht's Famous Frankfurters," (Long may they survive) "and mein frient Schmitt's sauerkraut, rolls, ginger ale, beer, et cetera."

It was a first rate "Deutscher Fest," and all enjoyed themselves in many ways, while President Nubser graciously condescended to offer his chair to Mr. Dinkelspiel, who promptly accepted it with a thousand bows and thanks, and then straightway launched forth into queer philosophical waters keeping the "taube Deutschen" a swimming in the Rhein up to nearly 2:30, when the affair was brought to a close "nitemit" broad grinning "guten nacht!"

Thanks are due—and heartily given to Messrs. Gomprecht, Frankenheim and Rose, for their excellent work in making the affair the grand success that it was. By the way we will add that the precious frankfurters were a donation from Chairman Gomprecht, whose charitable bosom swelled with joy, as is attested by the members who are still smacking their lips in approbation. So is Dinkelspiel.

Mr. Edgar Bloom has been justly dubbed the "traveling agent" of the Deaf-Mutes' Union League for he has proposed Messrs. Liebenstein, Hart, Kaufman and Frank, all of Chicago, for non-resident membership of the Deaf-Mutes' Union League at the last meeting. It was during a business trip to Chicago that he secured their willingness to join. The roster of the Deaf-Mutes' Union League is now past sixty.

A whist party will take place at the club room on Saturday, March 26th, which will be the first given by the new Entertainment Committee this year. Judging by its past success, they anticipate a big attendance. Many new faces will be seen that night. It will, of course, be a private affair, as only members and their wives, sweethearts, ma's pop's, sis' and Co., are admitted.

Mr. Chas. Glasel is confined at the Mount Sinai Hospital suffering from some internal trouble. He has the sincere sympathy of his fellow-members.

The Deaf-Mutes' Union League will give an Entertainment and Ball next year. A Committee has been appointed, who will make arrangements to carry the club's wishes into effect.

Several gentlemen who prefer not to give their names just now, will shortly be proposed to membership at the next regular meeting of the club.

Secretary Kenner's back is bending a little, for the responsibilities he has to shoulder are getting heavier by the too sudden increase of membership, but he keeps on smiling, in spite.

President Nubser has proven himself an ideal one, so far, for he can be seen at the club room on all visiting days, taking great interest in the welfare of the members.

A regular meeting of the Deaf-Mutes' Union League takes place this Thursday night.

At the Polo A. A. Hall last Saturday evening two good games of basketball were played to an enthusiastic audience. The preliminary game was between the Tremont Deaf-Mutes and the All Harlems. The deaf team played all around their opponents and won hands down by a score of 26 to 7.

CHICAGO.

Meeting of the Aid Society.

THE PAS-A-PAS CLUB.

Happenings of the Week.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

On Wednesday, March 2d, at two o'clock P.M., the business meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society was held at the chapel, Mrs. Grout holding the sceptre in the chair.

Mrs. Watson read a text from Proverbs 22: 6, "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

Mrs. Schuttler recited a hymn entitled, "I need Thee every hour." Miss Ruth Zollinger read the minutes of the last meeting, and the report was passed without any correction.

Mrs. Cartter, Chairman of the Visiting Committee on sickness, reported no case of illness, except Mrs. Sibitsky, who continued to be in the same condition as before.

Miss Knight gave out a report of the money matters for January and February, and it was accepted as correct and satisfactory.

Rev. Hasenstab recited two cases of distress, and said the two families would need more coal and provisions this month.

Mrs. Wakefield was elected a member by acclamation.

Mrs. Dougherty and Misses Smith and Jacoba composed the committee on letters of condolence and of congratulations. They decided that letters of condolence were unnecessary, but that letters of congratulations should be sent out to the mothers who presented their husbands with babies. Is it not a novel idea?

Miss Zollinger announced that she had mailed letters of congratulations to six mothers already.

Miss Knight proposed that the next entertainment should be given at the residence of Mrs. George Cartter, 895 Odgen Avenue, on Thursday, March 17th, (St. Patrick's Day), from two until ten o'clock P.M., and would call it a "Grab and Gruel Social."

By the way of explanation, she said that the ladies would make towels, handkerchiefs, aprons, ties, etc., and when the people pay twenty-five cents each, they could draw one article out of the bag blindfolded, and have a cup of hot coffee and sandwiches, which Mrs. Cartter kindly offered to furnish gratis.

Miss Smith thought Miss Knight's plans were splendid, and moved that she be allowed to carry them out. Every one present lifted up her hand.

Mrs. Watson remonstrated that the Aid Society gave entertainments at the same dates that the Fraternal Society of the Deaf held its business meeting, and moved that Miss Zollinger be authorized to write a letter to the Secretary of the F. S. D., requesting him to make arrangements whereby the gentlemen could attend the ladies' entertainments, as a matter of gallantry and for charity's sake. The motion was carried by acclamation.

Rev. Hasenstab reminded the ladies of the annual oratorical contest which takes place in April, and suggested to have the Secretary write to the secretaries of the two clubs of the fact at once. The motion was seconded and carried out.

Oscar Regensburg gave a Stag Party at his elegant residence last Friday night. Smoking Havanas and card-playing were the features.

Mrs. Helen Heinlein starts for her farm at Buffalo, Michigan, next Friday, to managane it for the season.

Theodore Kohn, aged forty-two, died on Wednesday, March 2d.

W. J. La Motte is acting as an agent for the newly patented Magic Electric Portable Lamps. If you need one, please apply to him personally.

W. D. Edwards, formerly of the Marseilles Register, has been engaged to take charge of the make-up and advertisement work in the office of the Morris Daily Sentinel.

Mrs. Matthew Schuttler's mother is coming soon from the East, to visit for several months.

Oscar Regensburg will lecture before the Pas-a-Pas Club, on Saturday night, March 26th, on the "Louisiana Purchase Exposition."

There will be a "Puzzle Social" at the club rooms on Saturday night, March 12th. A prize of one dollar, kindly donated by Mr. Wayman, will be given to the first winner. The members and their wives and friends are earnestly invited to attend. The Committee consists of Messrs. Wayman, Chairman; Caro and McDonnell.

Pugilism and wrestling and boxing and bowling, seem to be a great fad among the sports all over the world.

There are several clever and expert deaf-mute athletes in Chicago, who would like to challenge outsiders to participate in such exciting contests for cash prizes at St. Louis, on August 20-27. At their own request, Mr. C. C. Codman has decided to act as their Manager, and will be glad to hear from deaf-mutes abroad.

A Stag Party, under the management of Messrs. Gibson, Chairman; Codman, Liebenstein and Tate, will be given at the club rooms, on Friday night, April 1st. Look out for full particulars next week.

Arthur C. Bachrach, of New York, an old classmate of Messrs. Hart, Frank and Liebenstein, was gladly admitted as a non-resident member of the Pas-a-Pas Club, by acclamation.

The Pas-a-Pas Club held its business meeting last night. There was not much business of importance except the ten cents, for which heated debates raged furiously, and a dozen desperate motions were made for about an hour and finally the little money was collected and paid into the treasury.

The Auditing Committee had reported every thing O. K., except the ten cents uncollected, hence the wild excitement.

Mr. Codman made out the Ball report, and said that Mrs. Sonneborn, Mrs. Lefi and Mrs. Sullivan, had worked hard and patiently for the success of the Ball, and deserved the thanks of the Club.

The net profit amounted to nearly forty dollars.

SIDNEY H. HOWARD.
Sunday, March 6, 1904.

BALTIMORE, MD.

The lady members of the Baltimore Society of the Deaf, under the leadership of Miss Annie B. Barry, tendered the male members a pretty Leap Year Party at its hall, Monday night, February 26th. With the members and others present, it was a gala company.

There were about twenty-five, the inclemency of the weather deterred many from attending, otherwise the affair was a success, and Miss Barry and the ladies feel proud of their kind efforts.

Mr. James Blaine, of Washington, came all the way to attend, and brought a large bunch of flowers, which the ladies made into little bouquets and sold them to the men for ten cents each, and a nice little sum was realized.

Mr. James Amoss has decided to break up housekeeping, and will remove to Washington April 1st with his two daughters. Mr. Amoss is employed in the United States Government Printing Office as a bookbinder, and has held the place for the last twenty-two years.

Joseph Volluse, of Frederick, Md., is now a resident of this city. He having secured a job as a cigar maker at the Krause cigar factory.

Holton Stiltz is soon to leave us and will tie himself to the country near Whitehall, and engage in the butchering business with his uncle.

Cracker man McElroy has a camera and took a good number of the views of the ruins of the great fire. We had the pleasure of taking a look at them and they are very excellent.

Mr. Geo. Flick has been engaged to give an exhibition of Motion Pictures at the Rochester and Buffalo, N. Y., Schools, March 4th and 5th. He left Friday morning.

He took a number of views of the big fire and will include them in his exhibition.

Mr. J. F. McLary was seen at Church Saturday. He arrived Saturday and will return Tuesday. This is the first time he has been here since the freeze down the boy before Christmas.

Mrs. D E Moylan has been in town for the past week. She goes home to-day and will be accompanied by her husband.

J. Kavanaugh is back again from Philadelphia and he got work in an other factory here. Although having a good time in Philadelphia, he likes Baltimore better, because it is more homelike.

In the sky-scraper discussion some one remarks that one important point seemed to be overlooked, that was how a big city could do business without them.

Look at London, Berlin and other European cities. They are or have been doing well. New York City may boast of its sky-scrappers, but when a fire like ours comes it may prove them to be the most dangerous of structures. Our fire has demonstrated the fact that while stone and iron buildings can be constructed flame-proof, they have not been made heat-proof.

Owing to the frozen condition of the Bay, oysters are very scarce, and from the present outlook it appears that they may become even more so within the next few weeks. We are also somewhat short of fish, which is a great necessity during this Lenten season.

Mr. Albert C. Buxton has just returned from the West, exclusively for the purpose of attending the funeral of the late Edwin S. Abell, editor and proprietor of the Baltimore Sun, who died in this city, Sunday, February 28th, and who was a good friend of his.

Mar. 7, '04. J. A. B.

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PHILADELPHIA.

Life and Work of Rev. Dr. Gallaudet.

FUNERAL OF MRS. DAVIDSON.

A Budget of Brevities.

News items for this column should be sent to James S. Reider, 1338 Dover Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

A large crowd gathered into a room on the fourth floor of the Harrison Building, Northeast corner of 8th and Spring Garden Streets, to see Editor E. A. Hodgson lecture on the "Life and Work of Rev. Thomas Gallaudet, D. D.," on Saturday evening, 5th of March. The room is a commodious lodge room, well lighted, and is admirably adapted to the purpose for which it was used on this occasion. The lecture was fully as interesting and entertaining as we had expected it to be. As an intimate friend of Dr. Gallaudet, Mr. Hodgson was able to treat his subject with an ease that made him easily understood and won the admiration of his audience. He brought out many details that we do not see in print, and said there were many more to tell. Thus, for over an hour, he kept the closest attention of the audience.

Chairman Breen, who presided at the meeting, which was held under the auspices of the Philadelphia Local Branch, commented on the beautiful life of Dr. Gallaudet, and then Mr. Washington Houston moved a resolution of thanks to Mr. Hodgson for his lecture, which was immediately tendered him.

Mr. Alex. L. Pach, of New York, the unspeakable Alex, who accompanied Mr. Hodgson to the Quaker City, which by the way is also his native city, caused a round of merriment by an address he made by invitation of the Chairman. Speaking of the "Old P. S. A. D. regime," he likened it to a penny-in-the-slot weighing machine that is out of order. The machine stands, and receives the pennies it begs, and then does not perform the service it promised. At last, it is replaced by a new one and everything moves along smoothly. He congratulated the Society on the great progress it has made.

Mrs. Geo. T. Sanders, Mr. J. A. McVaine, Jr., Mr. Wm. F. Durian, and Mr. Reider also made short addresses on the beauty of Dr. Gallaudet's life. Towards the close of the meeting, Editor Hodgson's face turned to a deeper shade of crimson when one of the speakers called attention to the fact of his having reached the fiftieth milestone of his life, and tendered him the best wishes of the Philadelphia deaf.

Mr. Henry J. Haight, of New York, also came over with Mr. Hodgson to the lecture, and was greeted by his many friends.

The funeral of Mrs. Samuel G. Davidson took place on Tuesday afternoon, March 1st, at 4 o'clock, from her late home in Mt. Airy. The casket, of a beautiful drab color, was covered with roses, and there were numerous floral offerings. One in particular was a piece about three feet high from the Gallaudet Club, of Philadelphia. It represented a large crescent and star supported on a broken column, while on top of the design a large white dove was mounted; and ribbons of gold and cream, the club colors, contained the words, "At Rest." The officers and teachers of the Mt. Airy School also sent a beautiful offering. The Rev. S. C. Hill, of Grace (Episcopal) Church, Mt. Airy, where Mrs. Davidson had attended, officiated and read the beautiful Episcopal service.

Prof. F. W. Booth interpreted the service to the deaf mourners present, of whom there were a large number. After the service, the friends of the family took a last look at the dead and departed. The family was then left in seclusion with their dead until after 7 P. M., when the remains, accompanied by the grief-stricken husband and the sisters of Mrs. Davidson, were taken to Dennis, on Cape Cod, Mass., where the interment took place shortly after noon on Wednesday, March 2d. Mr. Davidson then returned immediately to Philadelphia.

Prof. J. A. McVaine, Jr., gave an interesting lecture on "Superstitions," before the Cleric Literary Association, last Thursday evening, March 3d.

The following is from the Pottstown News:—

Lewis I. Ash, a deaf mute, of Bridge street, Phoenixville, who is employed at the Schuylkill Valley Match Company's plant, Ironides, a short distance below here, was the unfortunate victim of a painful accident this morning. Ash was at work unloading logs at the plant, when a huge log slipped and fell upon his right leg, breaking the bone. The hospital ambulance was summoned and he was taken to the Phoenixville Hospital.

Reported in a Chester paper:

In the presence of a large crowd of people, the Upland Y. M. C. A. basketball team clearly edmonstrate, on Saturday (February

27th) night, that they thoroughly understand the game by defeating the "Silent Five," of Philadelphia.

From the Pottstown News:

John Wilson, a deaf-mute, who was arrested in this city yesterday on a charge of begging, was ordered out of town last night by the recorder.

Wilson was engaged in going about to the different business places and hotels displaying a card which informed the reader that the holder of it was a mute and praying for assistance. He secured quite a sum of money and had intended making a stay of several months' duration at the resort.

He was quite fastidious in his tastes. After he had been lodged in one of the cells in the city jail, he motioned to the turnkey that he wanted a pencil and paper. It was secured for him by the ever-obliging turnkey, Brubaker, and he waited while the man made his wants known by writing them on the slip of paper.

When Wilson handed the turnkey the slip, the latter nearly fell over in a faint. He looked at it the second time to make sure that he had seen aright. It was there, and this is what was written:

"Please go to a restaurant and get me some nice fried oysters, some bread and butter and a dessert of strawberries and cream. I have the money to pay for them."

Brubaker drew seven long breaths before he was able to speak. But the man couldn't bear him, so he drew one more breath and wrote this reply:

"You will eat what you get here. See that Brubaker gets thanks that you get anything at all."

Wilson was shipped out of the city on the 8:05 train last night. He paid his own fare with the money he had begged.

The Gallaudet Club will meet at 2538 N. Marshall St., on Saturday evening, March 12th, where the members will be the guests of Mr. Ira M. Poorman.

Wm. McKinney, Mrs. Sanders, Mr. Underwood and Mr. Reider were on the sick list the past week.

CATHOLIC ITEMS

Mr. Michael Ryan, Spiritual Director of the Catholic Mission to the Deaf, was called to Scranton, last week, by the serious illness of his mother. He returned on Saturday noon, last.

Sunday, March 6th, the Question Box was open as usual. Mr. Ryan gave an interesting description of the Greek Church in Russia.

Miss Katie Musselman is contemplating a trip to the St. Louis Fair. From there she will proceed to Colorado, where her brother lives and has a profitable business. Miss Musselman is a good dressmaker.

Frank Shoemaker, who was last year converted to the Catholic Faith, was buried on Thursday, 3d inst., in the Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Messrs. John O'Rourke and Morris Lang were the two deaf pall-bearers.

Miss Jennie Donohue is an ever genial worker, and has many admirers among her deaf friends. Miss Broderick has regained her old position in the laundry at the Mt. Airy School.

On account of dull times at the worsted mills, James McMonigle is working only four days a week.

ST. LOUIS.

The monthly Public Opinion meeting was held on the 4th, and the usual interesting evening spent. The trouble between the Russ and Jap, and other live topics of the month, were discussed by Mr. J. H. Cloud. The interest manifested in these meetings is evident from the large attendance.

Mr. Cloud also announced that the Local committee of the N. A. D. had secured the use of the Central High School auditorium for convention week. The Local Committee is to be congratulated upon its securing the use of that, since a better place could not be found. The auditorium is accessible from all parts of the city, either directly or by transfer on any car line. It lies in a beautiful residential district, one of the best in the city, and we feel sure every visitor will be satisfied with it.

Mr. Cloud gave one of his Shakespearean readings on the 26th. This time "As You Like It," delivered in the lecturer's usual style, kept the appreciative audience's attention until the last word had been signed.

Miss M. Reed, after trying city life for some time, returned to her home in Oconee, Ill.

Rev. Oliver Whildin, the general missionary to the South, will make a brief visit to St. Louis, March 18-20, holding services at St. Thomas' Mission in the morning of the 20th. All are invited to attend.

Since the coming of Lent, social affairs have been postponed until after Easter. Hence the scarcity of news.

Mr. W. W. Miller has sacrificed his heavy black mustache to the razor and now presents a smooth front to his friends. Is this leap year? Sure. Yes, they were too shy, being scared off by that dark, forbidding, hireute adornment. But now that it is off—

Mr. Steideman will give a lecture on the 11th, upon the general situation of the Russian-Japanese trouble. Admission 10 cents, the proceeds going to the local fund of the N. A. D.

The Gallaudet Union recently held its regular meeting. The feature of the evening was a poem by Miss Herdman entitled "The Last Hymn."

Figures recently published in Christiania show that the amount of money sent home from the United States by immigrants from Norway, last year, was \$3,780,000.

A. B. G.

OHIO.

Death Visits Two Households.

A SOCIAL FUNCTION.

The News in Brief.

News items for this column may be sent to our Ohio News Bureau, care of Mr. A. B. Greener, 903 Franklin Ave., Columbus, O.

Death claimed a pupil of the Institution in the person of O. Henry Tudor, Jr., though at the time of his taking off, he was at his home. He had a hemorrhage of the lungs on the 19th ult., and as there seemed no hope for him, his parents were apprised of his condition. His mother came here, and took him home on the 23d.

He lingered until Saturday afternoon at 5:15, when death ended his sufferings. He entered the Institution in 1893. As a pupil, he was faithful in his work, and his conduct was manly. Last June he took the examinations for the Introductory class of Gallaudet, and it was his sole ambition to enter the Freshman class of the College next fall. Of this, he frequently talked, and bent every energy to accomplish, despite the ravages of the disease that was gnawing his life away. He was a member of the Clonian Society, and of the Christian Endeavor Society, taking great interest in the doings of each. The latter organization adopted resolutions of sympathy at its last meeting, and sent a copy to the bereaved parents of the boy. His classmates also sent a beautiful floral wreath to be laid on his casket at the time of the funeral, which took place from his late home in Kenton, Monday afternoon.

Through a friend, we received Bellaire, Ohio, papers this week, which noticed the death of Mrs. Mina L. Littleton, nee Ebeling, which occurred last Friday, in Bellaire, her home. She had been sick about four weeks, and her death was due to paralysis of the heart. She leaves her husband, Marion McDonald Littleton, and a daughter about seventeen years old. The funeral was held Monday morning, and the remains were laid away in Zion Cemetery. The pall bearers, all deaf, were Messrs. Samuel W. Corbett, Peter Gilooly, W. H. Robb, Frank Burtoft, all of Bellaire; Herbert Stoehr, of Echo Point, and J. C. Bremer, of Wheeling. Mrs. Littleton had been educated in the West Virginia School for the Deaf. She had been an invalid for some years. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved husband and daughter. The latter left school here several years ago, to assist her mother in looking after home duties.

The Independents basketball team went over to Newark Saturday afternoon, and returned in the evening highly elated, for they had out done the Newark team 40 to 35. A return game is booked for March 11th, at the Institution.

Miss Bessie DeFrees entertained a number of her friends Saturday evening, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Rion Hoel. A pleasant time was had in the way of cards and chat. Dainty refreshments were served.

Harry Dix went over to Uhrichsville Monday, to attend the funeral of a relative, and returned Thursday, to his work in the culinary department of the Institution.

Mr. Elwood Barber, mention of whose appointment to the Culinary department of the Institution was made recently, didn't stick to the job long. Cause the work is too hard for one of his avoirdupois. He left Thursday for his home, Canal Winchester, where he hopes later on to follow his trade as printer in the village newspaper office. And failing there, he can still fall back to work on his father's farm, raising pumpkins and big ears of corn, for which the valley there is famous.

Mr. Wm. H. Zorn is experiencing the state of a grass-widower, for Mrs. Zorn has gone up to Norwalk, to visit her mother and sister for a couple of weeks.

The Advance Society held a meeting Tuesday evening. Mr. Joseph Neutzing was added to its membership. It was decided to give a picnic at the Home, May 30th, and if the weather proves favorable on that date, it will be a success, for the boys know how to carry out such affairs.

Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Pratt enjoyed, Sunday and Monday, a visit from their son Charley and his wife.

Basil, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Grigsby, started to work in the State bindery Friday.

There have been no new cases of measles since last letter, from which it is to be inferred that the disease has had its run. The classes also are filling up again to their former attendance.

The D Floor pupils had their last social for the school year last evening. Ice-cream, cake and jonquils and "Carrie Nations" were served out to them.

March 5, '04.

A. B. G.

FAN WOOD.

Japanese - Russian War.

BASKET BALL GAME.

Items in a Condensed Form.

From our Regular Correspondent.

"The Japanese-Russian War" was the subject of a lecture given before the members of the Fanwood Literary Association, in the chapel, Saturday evening last, at half past seven. It was a deadly struggle between a modern David and Goliath. It was necessary for the lecturer to consult the newspapers about the latest war bulletins, and he dwelt upon the importance of the daily papers in regard to information of the war. We cannot guess which will win yet, and therefore have to wait till the war is over to get the decision. The war is to be placed in the pages of history for the future generations to remember. Prof. Gardner urged us to study history, as it recalls the achievements of mankind that have influenced the current of the world's affairs, and left the world in a condition as we now see it. The total number of soldiers on both sides, what crops grow in Japan, Russia, Manchuria, and Korea were stated. The war between Japan and China resulted in a treaty by which China was to give a part of Manchuria as a means of war settlement. This portion of land, afterwards led to a war. Japan's rights to her property were asserted, but Russia persisted in owing all it could possibly get. The Powers interfered and diplomatic relations were put into activity, but Russia ignored Japan's threats. Japan could have no more patience, and the first shot of the war was fired. Each was locked in a deadly embrace and both clung to their claims with bull dog tenacity, and it will belong before they will loosen their hold.

The recent sea battle, by which Japan gained the victory that set all the world talking, was fully described in detail. The sea is Japan's, but the land is Russia's, in a more strategic sense. It seems strange that such a small nation pitted against a large one, like a giant against a pigmy, should win. The professor gave the reasons why Russia wants Manchuria. The war had a bad effect on the commerce between Japan and the United States. The well known term, "The Yellow Peril," was explained to all in the clearest of signs. The Law of Neutrality prevents other nations from participating in the war, therefore the world may look upon the scene with a feeling of neutrality. The latest news of the war as given out by the newspapers was told in detail. Prof. Gardner was given a vote of thanks for his lecture, and the meeting was adjourned.

Saturday last an exciting game of basket-ball was played in the gymnasium, just to "kill time." It was watched by all from start to finish. Both teams did fine foot work, and had good team support. The score would have been higher if they had been better goal throwers. The score:

WARRENS.	Positions.	HUDSONS.
Goldstein	Left Forward	Barry
Ziss	Right Forward	Tanzas
"Galliver"	Centre	Birk
Agresto	Left Guard	McAllister
C. Siegel	Right Guard	Annett

Goals—Goldstein, 4; McAllister, 3; Zeiss, 2; "Galliver," 2; Annett, 1; Birk, 1; C. Siegel, 1. Foul goals—Girsch, 1. Referee—Mr. T. G. Cook. Two twenty-minute halves.

Work has begun on the boys' side of the Academic building for the erection of an iron outside stairway connected with the stone portico.

Misses Anna and Tessie McNeill, of Chicago, have been appointed to fill the places of Misses Black and Marsh, as tutresses of the girls.

Corporal F. G. King was a visitor at the Sportsmen's Show in Madison Square Garden last Saturday.

Cadet Max Lubin attended the 70th birthday anniversary of his grandfather, at his home Monday last.

A regular meeting of the Protean Society was held on Thursday last, at the cadet officers' quarters.

The old Bailey Ground, where generations of Fanwoodites played baseball, is having a street made through it.

Prof. W. G. Jones has just finished the third book of "Les Miserables," which is given in the chapel every Sunday evening.

The Institution has just forwarded its Art exhibit to the St. Louis Exposition.

S. C.

AL MOSHAP—THE SONNA.

FASTING AND PILGRIMAGE TO MECCA.

In the Moslem confession of faith, "There is no God but God and Mahomet is His Apostle."

Articles of faith: 1st, belief in God; 2d, in His angels; 3d, in His scriptures; 4th, in His prophets; 5th, in the resurrection and day of judgment; 6th, in God's absolute decrees and predetermination both of good and evil. Points in practice: 1st, prayer 5 times a day, after washing and purification; 2d, alms, if not voluntary, then legally compulsory; 3d, fasting; and 4th, pilgrimage to Mecca.

The fast of Ramadan lasts a whole month. Daily from dawn to sunset they must abstain from eating and every kind of enjoyment. After sunset they can eat, drink and enjoy themselves in any way they please until daybreak. In some centres of Islam the end of the daily fasts is announced by a sunset gun and they instantly fall to eating, smoking and other pleasures. The fasting month ended, is followed by a two months' pilgrimage to Mecca.

The Koran: "The pilgrimage must be performed in the known months, whose therefore proposes to go on a pilgrimage therein, let him not know a woman, nor transgress, nor quarrel in the pilgrimage." But they who shall disbelieve, and obstruct the way of God, and hinder men from visiting the holy temple of Mecca, we will cause him to taste a grievous torment. Let them come on foot, on camels, arriving from every distant road, that they may be witnesses of the advantages which accrue to them from visiting this holy place, and may commemorate the name of God on the appointed days.

Mecca, one of the most ancient cities of the world, is situated in a stony and barren valley surrounded by mountains. It is destitute of springs, except the well Zem Zem, which water is brackish and causes eruptions, if drunk of too plentifully. The people used rain water from cisterns. Many attempts to bring water by conduits met with little success until the time of the Turkish Sultan Solymen, 1520-1566, when water was brought by aqueduct from Mount Ararat at the expense of his Sultana Valide.

From north to south the city is two miles long, and from east to west between mountains is one mile wide. The houses are built of stone cut from nearby mountain quarries. The inhabitants are generally very rich, made so by furs and catering to the prodigious concourse of people who come to worship at the Caaba in the holy months. They own large herds of cattle and camels, also horses of finest breed. They send out great caravans with goods to be exchanged for provisions, which are distributed twice a year. Outside the immediate territory of Mecca are springs, streams of running water, gardens and cultivated lands.

The Arabs claim that their Caaba is almost coeval with the creation. In tradition: that when Adam rejoined his wife at Mecca God listened to his penitence and supplication and by angels sent down from heaven a temple in radiant curtains of light; that Adam always prayed facing this and made seven circuits around it; that on his death the temple disappeared; that Seth, son of Adam, then built a temple of stone on the site, which was swept away in the deluge; that by God's command Ishmael, assisted by his father, Abraham, rebuilt the Caaba on its original site from plans God furnished them.

The Caaba has been destroyed by the elements, by fire, by decay and been rebuilt many times, always in the form of the original temple of light and on the same site. They say is a duplicate of Al Mamour, or the House of Adoration in the seventh heaven. At first devoted to the worship of God, it afterwards for long ages became the centre for the orgies of idolatry and was called the temple of Yohal (Saturn).

The temple of Mecca stands in the midst of the city and is called Masjid al haram, the sacred or inviolable temple. What is principally revered in this place, and gives sanctity to the whole, is a square stone building—the Caaba. The length of this edifice from north to south is 24 cubits its breadth from east to west 23 cubits, and its height 27 cubits. In feet, 36x34x40. The door, on the east side, is 4 cubits, 6 feet, from the ground, the floor being level with the bottom of the door. In the corner next the door is the black stone which is said to have fallen from paradise with Adam and which was brought by the angel Gabriel to Abraham who built it into an exterior corner of the Caaba.

The Caaba has a double roof supported within by 3 octagonal pillars of aloes wood and between them on iron rods hang silver lamps. The interior is an open floor with a pulpit at one side. The outside is covered with rich damask, embroidered with a band of gold, which is changed every year. This originally was furnished at the expense of the Caliphs, afterwards the Sultans of Turkey.

On the north side of the Caaba, within a semi-circular inclosure 50 cubits long, lies a white stone, the sepulchre of Ishmael. On the east side is the station or place of Abraham.

The Caaba is surrounded on 3 sides by pillars, joined towards the bottom by balustrades, above which at top are bays of silver. Without this, on the south, west and north sides, are 3 buildings, which are the oratorios where 3 of the orthodox sects assemble to perform their devotions, a 4th sect using the Station of Abraham for that purpose.

All these buildings are enclosed by a magnificent square colonnade covered with small domes or cupolas, from the four corners of which rise as many minarets, or steeples, with double galleries, and adorned with gilded spires and crescents. Between the pillars of both enclosures hang a great number of lamps, constantly lighted at night.

The black stone is set in silver in the southeast corner of the Caaba about 4 feet from the ground. It is held as holy and kissed by pilgrims with great devotion. It is a stone whiter than milk, but the exposed surface turned black ages ago from the touches and kisses of millions of people.

In the 278th year of the Hegira a new sect of Moslems, the Karmathians, arose who opposed the practices at the Caaba. They descended on Mecca in force and among other profanations took away the black stone and refused 5,000 pieces of gold for its return. After keeping it 22 years and seeing they could not draw the pilgrims away from Mecca, they sent it back free, bantering the Meccans that it was not the true stone; but by its peculiar quality of floating on water they proved it was no counterfeit.

Another thing in the temple is the stone, the oratorio of Abraham. They pretended to show his foot-steps on it when he and Ishmael rebuilt the Caaba; and say it served him for a scaffold, rising and falling of itself, as he had occasion while at work. It is now enclosed in an iron chest, out of which the pilgrims drink the water of Zem Zem and pray at it as directed in the Koran. This stone was concealed at the time the Karmathians took the other one. The well Zem Zem, on the east side of the Caaba, is covered by a small building with cupola and minarets. The water is bottled and sent to Moslems everywhere as a rarity.

Pilgrims assemble near Mecca to be there at the beginning of the holy month. The men put off their clothes and put on a sacred habit of two wrappers, one around the waist to serve as a breech cloth and the other over their shoulders. With their heads bare and slippers which cover neither heel nor instep, they enter the sacred territory on the way to Mecca. During the pilgrimage every man keeps constant guard over his words and actions: no quarreling, no ill language, no converse with women, and they will not even kill a louse or a flea, if such appeared on their bodies.

They pass in procession and beginning at the corner where the black stone is, they make 7 circuits around the Caaba, the first 3 times with a short quick pace, the other 4 times at a grave, ordinary pace, and each time they pass the black stone they kiss it, or touch it with their hand and kiss that. The ceremonies they go through last for days. They run between Mounts Safa and Merwa 7 times, sometimes stopping and looking back, as if they had lost something, to represent Hagar looking for water for her son.

They proceed in a rushing and tumultuous manner to the Station on Mount Ararat, where they perform their devotions until sunset; then they go to an oratory between Ararat and Mina, where they spend the night in prayer and reading the Koran. At daylight next morning they visit Mashrafi haram, the sacred monument, and before sunrise haste by Batu Mohasser to the valley of Mina, where they throw 7 stones at 3 marks, or pillars, in imitation of Abraham, who beat off the devil at that place by throwing stones at him. Adam is also said to have put the devil to flight in the same way and place.

On the 10th day, in the valley of Mina, they sacrifice the animals they brought for that purpose. These victims must be of fit age: either sheep, goats, cattle, or camels, the first two kinds to be males and the last kinds females. They and their friends eat part and give the rest to the poor. This being over they shave their heads and cut their nails, burying them in the same place.

As a last act of the pilgrimage they again visit the Caaba to take their leave of the sacred building. These ceremonies are relics of an idolatrous superstition, being practically the same as those instituted by the ancient pagan Arabs, and followed down to Mahomet's time, except that the idolaters made the circuits around the Caaba entirely naked; the putting off their clothes to signify they had cast off their sins.

The Arabians are a poetic and imaginative people. A prominent trait in their character is exaggeration, magnifying things beyond reasonable bounds. This is seen in their 60 cubit stature of Adam and of Moses' rod expanding to the roof of the palace. But there is scriptural warrant for a belief that the first peoples of the earth were far superior in height, build and physical strength to the people of these times. "There were giants in the earth in those days," Genesis 6:4. Some of them lived pretty close to 1000 years. They may have been 10 feet high, or even more. They had to be able to defend themselves against the lion, the tiger and other beasts of prey, which were not then dispersed to congenial habitats in remote parts of the world.

Putting the Crescent, the symbol of Islam, aside as an imposition and a blot on the history of the world, I would reason a little. Why was that fatal tree planted in the Garden of Eden? Was it not there as an object lesson of resistance to the devil? We are born, we live, we die! What are we here for? What is the aim and object of human life? It is a mystery not given for mortals here to know.

I reason that God left mankind free agents to work out their own destinies; but He provided them with the revelations of His will, with all the means of grace, and the offer of salvation by the blood of Jesus to all who would accept it. Implanted in us all is what the Magians call Ormuzd and Ahriman, which are active principles always at war with each other for good and for evil in our natures. If we live for the good and resist the evil we will be all right; if otherwise, we will be all wrong and God will call us to account for it.

I imagine that all who get to heaven will leave behind all that is of the earth earthly; that we will appear in spiritual forms, animated with a pure and spiritual life of peace and divine harmony. Where is heaven? We are taught that it is somewhere above the blue empyrean. Is it in one of those other worlds named by the idolaters of the long ago after their gods? Is it in the giant planet Jupiter? Is it in Saturn? Is it in Neptune, the planet farthest away from the earth? This too is a mystery.

What of Christ? He is God's Son: He is one of the Trinity: He is our Saviour. Not a doubt of it. He proved His divine power by His pure life and wonderful miracles. The Bible must be read with understanding, for in the prophecies of His coming, Christ was not mentioned by name, but by indication. His coming was foretold all the way down the ages.

Prophecy: Genesis 3:15. "The seed of the woman shall bruise the serpent's head." Prophecy: Numbers 24:8 and 17. Prophecy: Daniel 7:13, 14. The whole 53d chapter of Isaiah is prophetic of the crown of thorns and the terrible ignominy that would be put on Christ, as an atonement for the sins of the world. Verse 5: "He was wounded for our transgressions: He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed." David's Psalm 110 is prophetic of Christ. Beeset by Sadducees, Pharisees and Herodians, Jesus asked them: "What think ye of Christ?" They answered: "He is David's son." Jesus quoted from David: "My Lord said unto my Lord, sit thou at My right hand until I make thine enemies thy footstool." And Jesus asked them: "If David call Christ his Lord, how can He be his son?" They could not answer Him, for David, in his time as King, had no superiors except the Lord God and the Lord Christ—who was to come.

Verse 4: "The Lord hath sworn and will not repent. Thou (Christ) art a priest forever after the order of Melchisedek." What stronger proof that Mahomet was a fraud? THE OTHER SMITH.

Concerning Proctor's

WEEK OF MARCH 14TH.

Charles Klein's powerful play of American life, "The District Attorney," has been selected as the dramatic offering at Proctor's Fifth Avenue Theatre next week. The play, which has enjoyed several New York runs, will be put on with entirely new scenery and an effort will be made to surpass the original production, both in point of scenery and light effects. Heading the vaudeville section will be J. Royer West and Ada Van Sclen, who will present a novel musical specialty, in which the stage setting represents a gymnasium, the bits of exercising apparatus forming musical instruments of different types.

"The Lost Paradise," which enjoyed an extended run at what is now Proctor's Twenty-third Street Theatre, several years ago, will be revived under Mr. Proctor's management at the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Street Theatre next week. Special scenery has been painted especially for this play, and a large force of extra players are being rehearsed for the famous mob scene. In the vaudeville section the leading position will be accorded the Sheek Bros., European acrobats. Ruth Nelta will offer con-

songs, while Frank Bouman will come forward with a monologue. Princess Chiquilla, a full-blooded Indian, will offer a novel musical specialty, in which she will be supported by an able company. The Kalatechnoscope, as usual, will bring forward the latest novelties in moving pictures.

The chief attraction at Proctor's Twenty-third Street Theatre next week will be a shortened version of George W. Lederer's Broadway success, "Sally in our Alley." Dan McAvoy, who figured in the original production, has proven vastly successful in the leading role and will have competent support from several clever leading players and a bevy of the best known Lederer show girls. The leading feature of the bill will be backed by a strong vaudeville programme.

A Chinese Honeymoon.

Sam. S. Shubert and Nixon & Zimmerman will offer to the local public at the Academy of Music, New York, for a limited engagement starting Monday, March 7th, with matinee Wednesday and Saturday, the No. 1 "A Chinese Honeymoon" Co., which, without doubt, is the musical hit of the last two years. The opera is now in its third year in London. The book and lyrics are from the pen of George Dance, while Howard Talbot has furnished the music. "A Chinese Honeymoon" is in two acts—the scenes being laid in Yang-Yang, which is represented as an Imperial seat of the Flowery Kingdom. Of course, Mr. Dance's Chinese empire is no more to be confounded with China that we can put out on the map, than Shakespeare's "Bohemia" is to be confounded with the Bohemia, over which Francis Joseph rules. It is a land where the Emperor promotes the English captain of a tramp steamer to the dignity of Lord High Admiral, and sends him forth to search the world for a bride, who would marry the monarch for love alone—one of the conditions of the quest being that his majesty shall be represented as a bill-poster. It is a land where an Imperial princess with her maids of honor come into the gardens of a hotel disguised as a singing girl and capsize the heart of a young English army officer. It is a land where any person who kisses a member of the royal family of the opposite sex is obliged to marry that party within six hours or suffer death. These are only a few of the peculiarities of the customs of the country. As there is a lord High Chancellor, who has been giving his whole time to making laws for forty years, there is never any case where he is at a loss for a law required to meet the emergency. To this topsy-turvy China comes an elderly gentleman who has married his typewriter. They are accompanied on their honeymoon by their eight bridesmaids, making a rather embarrassing retinue for the happy man. What use to attempt to tell how the bride finds herself in position where she is obliged to marry the emperor, and how the feckless bridegroom is compelled to marry the princess, with whom his nephew is in love? These are specimens of the complications that are embedded in the music and merriest. Through all the troubles skips and blunders a delightful little cockney waitress, who is said to be about as comic a character as has been seen on the stage for many seasons. The claim is made for the production that it is possibly the handsomest seen here for a great while in the matter of costumes, scenery and accessories. Only the richest materials have been used for the dresses—among which there is not a short skirt or a pair of tights, but only a collection of gowns representing the highest development in the art of the costumer.

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